

History Society Plans Fight to Save Home Of Francis Scott Key

The Columbia Historical Society has formed a committee of Government officials and prominent Washington residents from its membership to save what is left of the Francis Scott Key house at the Georgetown end of Key Bridge from being demolished to make way for the highway loop planned to connect the K street elevated highway with the bridge.

The committee also will seek to raise \$100,000. It was learned yesterday, to restore the building to its original form and use it as society headquarters and a meeting place for similar groups on a Government permit.

A meeting of the committee has been called for 4 p.m. Tuesday in the Union Trust Co. board room.

Lived There 20 Years.

The home was occupied by the composer of the Star Spangled Banner for 20 years in the early 1800s.

The District Highway Department and the Public Roads Administration, which are to build the road connection on a 50-50 Federal aid basis, plan to demolish the building now on the site, to make way for the roadway. The National Park Service, which has custody of the property, plans to install a bronze plaque to commemorate the site and the man for whom the bridge was named.

Only the foundation remains of the Key house. The building now there was built by the owners as a store in 1912 after attempts by the Francis Scott Key Memorial Association to raise funds for the purchase and restoration of the property failed.

The present building was purchased by the National Capital Park and Planning Commission in October, 1931, and demolition of the building has been approved by the commission.

The Park Service has tried to find a way to save the house site without impairing the efficiency of the highway connection but gave up the attempt by 1942.

Plan Fight on Ground.

The historical society, however, which has no headquarters building like those built by societies in other cities, plans to fight the present plan. Officers of the special committee feel engineers should be able to re-plan the roadway so that the building can be restored.

District Commissioners John Russell Young and Guy Mason are listed as on the committee, but whether the Commissioners will feel they are in a position to serve, in view of the fact the District Government approved plans for the road link, was uncertain.

Commissioner Mason said yesterday he had received notification of his appointment from F. Regis Noel, society president, but was unable to say whether he could serve without further investigation of the implications.

Restoration of the building was opposed in 1933 by Francis Scott Key-Smith and Anna Key Palmer, Key descendants. They preferred the obelisk or fountain instead, feeling there was too little left of the original home. Mr. Key-Smith is listed as a member of the committee.

Supreme Court Justice Harold H. Burton has agreed to lend his name to the committee's honorary chairman. Wade H. Ellis, Washington attorney, is chairman; George R. Linkins is vice chairman and Chris Jacobsen and Fred S. Tyler are treasurer and secretary respectively.

Moscow Radio Says Pope Interferes in Elections

LONDON, May 25.—A Moscow radio commentator said tonight that the Vatican had been interfering "quite openly" in Italy's election campaign.

Commentator K. Hoffman, in a broadcast heard here, said the Vatican was "threatening Catholic voters with eternal torments in the next world if they cast their ballots for the left wing candidates" in the June 2 elections.

Pope Pius XII told a Catholic women's audience at St. Peter's on May 12 he hoped the voters would elect candidates who would guarantee "respect for God." Last Sunday he urged an audience of sisters of the Order of Assumption to assist in "educating a vanguard of women who will constitute in political and social life living cells of religious feeling."

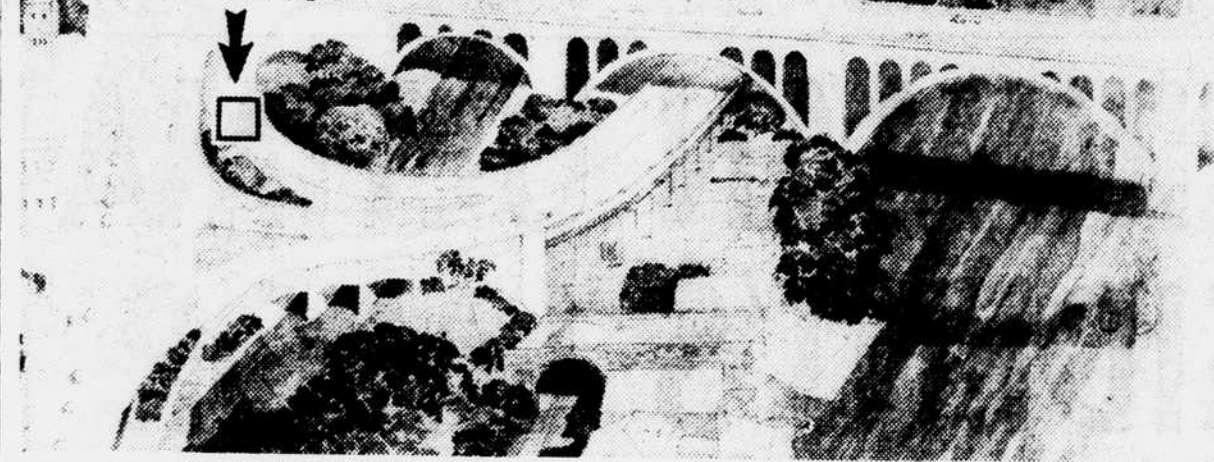
The May 22 edition of the Vatican newspaper, *Osservatore Romano*, published an episcopal letter of the Umbrian bishops warning Catholics that voting for Marxist or anticlerical parties would expose them to the "sanctions of canon law."

Quintuple Birth Reported

BOGOTA, Colombia, May 25 (AP).—The newspaper *El Liberal* said today a woman had given birth to quintuplets in the town of Cucuta, near the Venezuela border. The newspaper, which did not identify the woman, said the Cucuta charity hospital reported the mother and children in perfect health.



KEY HOUSE



HOW FRANCIS SCOTT KEY HOUSE IS DOOMED—The artist's sketch above shows how present plans for the road link between the proposed K street elevated highway and Key Bridge call for demolition of the house where Francis Scott Key lived during the period in which he wrote The Star-Spangled Banner.

Committee Chairmen Hear Details of Plans For Soap Box Derby

The "high command" of the Washington Soap Box Derby met yesterday to discuss arrangements for the revival of the coaster classic July 20.

Derby Director O. C. Holleran, who presided, outlined the organization plan for committee chairmen present and emphasized that the Derby will be completely safe, both for participants and for spectators.

Careful pre-race inspection of the boy-built cars and experienced supervisory personnel at the start, along the course and at the finish line will assure preservation of the event's safety record, he said.

The meeting was told that racer wheel-and-axle sets were on their way to Washington and, despite transportation difficulties, were expected to be available within a few days.

Some Firestone sets already have arrived, and others are en route from Goodrich, it was said.

It was announced that official Soap Box Derby Guide

The Washington Soap Box Derby, sponsored by The Star and the District Department of the American Legion, is open to boys 11 to 15 years of age, inclusive. Boys reaching their 11th or 16th birthdays in the period from June 1 to August 18, inclusive, are eligible.

Each entrant must obtain an official rule book from the Washington area Chevrolet dealer nearest his home and have entry blanks signed by a parent or guardian.

The coaster cars must be boy-built, 22 1/2 inch minimum, with not more than 56 of the total being spent for wheels and axles. Precision wheel bearings are prohibited.

These design limits are prescribed: Length, 80 inches; width, 24 inches; height, including windshield, 30 inches; weight of racer, 135 pounds; combined weight of racer and driver, 250 pounds.

Toledo weighing service would be available at the pre-race inspection. The weighmaster will make certain that no car weighs more than 135 pounds and that the combined weight of car and driver does not exceed 250 pounds.

Star Radio Director William E. Coyle said plans were being made for a series of Derby radio programs over Station WMAL. Mr. Coyle said the programs would be announced in advance in The Star.

Orders have been placed with manufacturers insuring that every boy who shows up with a racer on Derby Day will take home two souvenirs. At the quartermaster tent, each entrant will receive an official steel racing helmet bearing the Derby insignia and a white racing shirt.

(Read The Star for Derby News.)

Two Face Grand Jury Action In Theft of Two-Car Garage

Larceny of a two-car garage was the charge lodged by police against a colored man and woman ordered held for the grand jury yesterday by United States Commissioner Needham C. Turnage.

The garage, police said, vanished in a period of two hours May 3 from the rear of 716 Lamont street N.W., where one of the defendants, Geraldine Phillips, 47, is a tenant.

Charged also in the theft is Willard Twyman, 41, of the 1500 block of Twelfth street N.W., who, police say, works for the District refuse department.

Detective John P. Meshkoff of No. 10 precinct said Mrs. Phillips told him she saw a District truck haul the garage away.

Twyman, however, said Mrs. Phillips gave him permission to dismantle the garage and haul away the lumber, and even offered him \$3 for doing so, the detective reported. The lumber was found in Twyman's back yard, he added, but police have not yet found the metal parts of the structure, which he said Twyman denied taking.

The garage, valued at \$350, was the property of Michael Kapneck, 4411 Sixteenth street N.W.

Dutch Boy, 9, Adopted By John Eaton School

Children of the John Eaton School, Thirty-fourth and Lowell streets N.W., have adopted a 9-year-old Dutch boy under the Foster Parents' Plan for War Children, it was announced last night.

The children are raising \$180 among themselves with which to care for the child for the next year. The child is Hans den Boer, who lived through the German occupation of Holland. Evacuated to England after the liberation, he has been returned to Holland where he is under treatment for a nervous disorder.

Baptist Memorial Services

Judge Armond W. Scott of Municipal Court will speak at Memorial Day exercises at the Vermont Avenue Baptist Church, 1630 Vermont avenue N.W., at 8 o'clock tonight. Colored veterans' organizations of the District are sponsoring the services.



DERBY AWARDS—A steel racing helmet is issued each Derby entrant. The wristwatch shown is among prizes awaiting Washington's Champion.

Mentally Tough Yanks Survived Jap Camps, Army Survey Reveals

By Thomas R. Henry

The human mind is tough—in tough persons.

This was never better exemplified than by about 4,000 American soldiers who survived the ordeal of beatings, starvation and occasional torture in Japanese prison camps.

They have been studied by Army psychiatrists' teams of medical specialists assigned from the Office of the Surgeon General, and a report has just been submitted by Lt. Col. Norman G. Brill.

The psychiatrists were interested chiefly in the factors that were responsible for the survival of these men when so many of their comrades, in about the same physical condition when captured, succumbed. The closest they came to finding a common factor, however, was what is described in Col. Brill's report as a "tremendous will to live."

Others differed among themselves in about every possible way.

Lived for One Day.

"All of them," says Col. Brill's report, "lived only for the day. Indeed, when one of them would concentrate on, or begin to hoard food or gave way to morbid thoughts of hunger, he was marked by his companions as quite likely to die shortly. A prisoner who would hoard his rice allowance for several meals in order to enjoy the sensation of a large meal was referred to as 'rice happy.' This was generally an indication of deterioration and early demise.

"When those of lesser spiritual strength became ill they were likely to give up, quit eating entirely, and frequently would die in a few days. It seemed to some of the examiners that the best way to explain survival was that the only common factor among the survivors was that they had courage.

Never Quit Struggle.

"They never stopped in their struggle for survival. They ate anything available, including cats, dogs, silk worms and other things repulsive to normal human beings.

"When struck with dysentery and malaria they would nevertheless attempt to carry on. This strength and courage had no connection with racial background or education."

Few of these men, Col. Brill says, expressed any concern about their ability to readjust to life in the United States.

Greek War Relief Leaders To Discuss Aims Tomorrow

George Skouras, national vice president of the Greek War Relief Association, will discuss his organization's work and objectives with Secretary of Agriculture Anderson and other Government officials and GWRRA leaders at a luncheon at 12:45 p.m. tomorrow at the National Press Club, Achilles Catsonis, local representative of the association, announced last night.

Other guests, Mr. Catsonis said, will include Postmaster General and Mrs. Hannegan, Assistant Secretary of War and Mrs. Symington and Assistant Secretary of State and Mrs. Russell.

Mr. Skouras is completing a Nation-wide tour of 37 cities where he discussed Greek relief problems in view of the scheduled termination of UNRRA in December.

Spreckels Weds Again

LAS VEGAS, Nev., May 25 (AP).—The wedding here April 20 of John D. Spreckels III, wealthy sugar heir and Mrs. Lou Dell Brees, Malibu Beach costume designer, was revealed today. Both are 35. It was his third marriage, her second. She and Vance Brees, test pilot, were divorced in 1943.

Cathedral Designates South Transept Today As War Memorial

Spring festival week will open today at the Washington Cathedral with a full program of events.

The Rev. Horace W. B. Donegan, rector of St. James' Church, New York, will preach the sermon at the 11 a.m. service. More than 30 groups will exhibit arts and crafts concerning religious art, church architecture and allied fields. The exhibits will be open daily from 10 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. through next Sunday.

The South Transept will be formally designated as a war memorial at 2:45 p.m. today with the 19th annual Massing of the Colors starting 15 minutes later. Undersecretary of War Royall will speak.

Book reviews, to be given at 2 p.m. daily by the authors, will start tomorrow when Mildred Lee analyzes her novel delineating the career of a Baptist pastor in a small southern town. Margaret and H. A. Rev. author and illustrator, respectively, of "Rev Picture Books," will speak Tuesday. Speakers Wednesday will be Dorothy Childs Hogner, author, and Nils Hogner, her husband, an illustrator. Canon Theodore O. Wedel of the Cathedral will review his new book, "The Coming Great Church," on Thursday and Helen Morgan, author of "Mistress of the White House," will discuss her novel, which has been chosen as the honor book at the New York Herald Tribune Spring Book Show. The lectures will close on Saturday when Miss Era Bell Thompson, author of "America's Daughter," speak.

Events scheduled for 8:30 p.m. daily during the week follow: Monday, lecture on "Stained Glass"; Wednesday, concert by Cathedral Choral Society; Thursday, organ recital by Paul Callaway, and Saturday, concert by the American Society of Ancient Instruments.

Other events are: Tuesday at 12:30 p.m., Mrs. Truman will formally open the Flower Mart on the Pilgrim Steps and at 4 p.m. the Rogation Service for abundant crops will be held with Bishop Dunne officiating; Thursday, a Memorial Day service at 11 a.m., and a lecture on "Sculpture" at 7:30 p.m.; Friday, dedication of a new window in St. Stephen's Bay at 4 p.m., and Sunday a special service with the Rev. Dr. Samuel M. Covert, general secretary of the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America, speaking at 11 a.m., and evensong services with Mrs. Harpers Sibley, American Mother for 1945, speaking at 4 p.m.

Red Cross Forms Classes For Canoeing Instruction

Formation of classes in basic canoeing for all those 16 years of age or over was announced yesterday by the District of Columbia Chapter of the American Red Cross.

Officials said that applicants must either hold or pass an intermediate swimmer test. Classes will begin Tuesday, June 4, and will be held from 6 to 7:30 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays at Dempsey's Boat-house, Thirty-sixth and K streets N.W. There is a 50-cent fee for free rental, but instruction will be free and will be given by certified Red Cross water-safety instructors. Applicants must produce proof of age.

Those not now qualified as intermediate swimmers must take tests before going to Central High School, Thirtieth and Clifton streets N.W., tomorrow and Wednesday of this week, at 7:30 p.m., and men going to the Catholic University gymnasium, Seventh and Michigan avenue N.E., tomorrow and Friday, 7:30 p.m.

If the demand is sufficient, officials said that daytime classes in canoeing will be organized after schools close for the summer.

Dr. Petiot, With Smile on Lips, Is Executed for 27 Murders

By the Associated Press

PARIS, May 25.—A headman wrote the final chapter today in one of the weirdest murder stories in Paris criminal history. Slight, 55-year-old Dr. Marcel Petiot, a faint smile on his lips, paid with his life for the cold-blooded murder for profit of 27 desperate people.

Public executions have been banned in France since 1939, and only a few witnesses, among them his lawyer, Rene Floriot, saw the mass murder of the Rue la Sœur go to his death on the guillotine. President Pétain gave two days ago rejected a plea for a reprieve.

The lawyer thus described the swarthy little doctor's last moments: Petiot was awakened shortly after 4:15 a.m., and told his jailer, "I know what this is." He smoked one cigarette calmly, hastily scribbled a letter to his wife and another to his son, and then told the waiting guards:

"Gentlemen, I am yours."

At the foot of the guillotine block he received the last religious rites from a priest to please his wife. Then, manacled to his guards, he

Health Survey Urges Increased Interest in Educational Program

By Harold B. Rogers

Declaring the need for a "real community health education program" in the National Capital area was "only partially met," the Metropolitan Health and Hospital Survey last night presented an eight-point recommendation to strengthen such a program.

In the District of Columbia, the Bureau of Public Health Instruction was described as being under "a trained and experienced director," but without technical assistance. He is Dr. William F. Isaminger.

Objectives of the program, he is supposed to carry out—under 15 functions—were said to be "sound." But, the survey added: "Complete attainment by one man in a city of this size is too much to anticipate." The director's activities during the past year were outlined at length.

Additional Staff Needed.

Additional staff and equipment were needed by the director, according to the survey, as follows:

An associate director; a field health education specialist to work with community groups and develop health center activities; a school health education consultant to assist in the development of the school program, provide source material and meet with parent-teacher groups; a librarian to centralize the health department materials and provide periodical and reference book service for the staff; a draftsman for preparation of charts, maps, posters, exhibits and illustrations for publications; an editor for publications, press releases and bulletins; additional stenographic service and more equipment and supplies, including an automobile, motion picture and film strip projectors, films and posters.

The present per capita expenditure for this service, now one cent, would be increased by an additional 3 1/2 cents, the survey recommended, making a "total cost still minimum."

Other recommendations of the survey:

District Tuberculosis Association vacancies for health education personnel should be filled as soon as possible.

Washington Social Hygiene Society staff should be increased by at least one health education consultant.

The Social Hygiene Society, the Washington Heart Association, the Washington Society for the Hard of Hearing, and the D. C. Society for the Prevention of Blindness should review possibilities of extending their services to the Metropolitan Area.

Better School Program Urged.

A more comprehensive school education program should be developed. Group work agencies should extend their activities in health education in line with programs of national agencies, and in co-operation with the health agencies of the Metropolitan Area.

Consideration should be given to the development of neighborhood health committees, as a bridge between the health departments and residents of the area, "over which traffic in ideas and services may be made."

The Health Education Committee of the Metropolitan Health Council should be strengthened by addition of a full-time health education consultant "to assist the agencies in the District and in the adjoining areas and to coordinate joint planning and co-operative action."

The next chapter of the survey, made by three outside experts for the Metropolitan Health Council of the Council of Social Agencies, will be made public in about a week. It will contain a comprehensive survey of the hospital situation, which was severely criticized in a summary of the report recently disclosed.

Traffic Safety Poster Prizes Won by D. C. Area Students

Cherrie Murgia, 16, of 6412 Utah avenue N.W., a junior at Woodrow Wilson High School, and Luther Bell, 17, of 10607 Dunmore drive, Silver Spring, Md., a senior at Montgomery Blair High School, have won prizes in a nationwide contest for traffic safety posters, it was announced yesterday by the American Automobile Association, sponsors.

Miss Murgia won \$75 for submitting a best design illustrating each of 10 assigned safety rules, while Bell won a \$15 fourth prize for his entry.

A total of 41 prizes were awarded in the contest, sponsored in by more than 2,000 school children in all parts of the country. Winning poster designs will be used for the AAA's 1946-47 series of safety posters distributed monthly through the school year to elementary schools throughout the Nation. Students of public, parochial and private schools under 18 years took part. First prize, a \$350 one-year art school scholarship, was won by Gladys May, Detroit, Mich.

Beta Gammals Elect

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., May 25 (AP).—Mrs. Dora Cavanaugh of Oak Park, Ill., today was elected president of Beta Gamma Upsilon group at the closing sessions of the sorority's national convention.

At San Diego—Miscellaneous on following: Landing ship dock Port Marion, 21 Navy, Army service dependents, and following with no passenger information: LST 927, YP 641, 621, 630, 645, 633, LCI 78 and fleet tug 179, towing barracks ship 57.

At San Francisco—Miscellaneous on following: LST 1043 from Pearl Harbor, 20 Navy; LST 1019 from Pearl Harbor, 39 Navy.

Ships and units which arrived yesterday:

At New York—USSR Victory from Le Havre, 1,025 miscellaneous troops.

At San Diego—LCI 975 from Pacific forward area, 15 Navy; repair ship Gypsy and Mender from Canal Zone, 10 Navy; LST 927, YP 641, 621, 630, 645, 633, LCI 78 and fleet tug 179, towing barracks ship 57.

At San Francisco—Miscellaneous personnel on following vessels: Hermitage, from Saipan, 4,357 Navy; 1,026 Marines, 1 Army; Kershaw, 2,002 Navy; Bonita, 1,341 Navy; 99 Army; Kerstin, from Pearl Harbor, 2 Navy.

YMCA Secretary Resigns To Take New York Post

James C. Arnold, executive secretary of the Twelfth Street Branch of the YMCA for the past four and half years, has resigned to accept an invitation from the New York City YMCA to become the executive director of the Harlem "Y" Branch. Dr. William O. Clayton, chairman of the Committee of Management, announced yesterday.



MODEL PLANE CONTEST TROPHIES—These two 24-inch-high trophies will be presented by The Star to winners in National Airport Club-Star sponsored Model Plane Contest, to be held at Hybla Valley Airport, June 9. The cup on the left will go to the winner in the free flight class, while the other cup will become property of the control line flight champion.

—Star Staff Photo.

Papertroopers Plan Drive to Pay For Children's Hospital Ward

Thousands of Washington school children, the Papertroopers and others who have been engaged in the collection of wastepaper, are joining in an all-out drive during the first week of June to collect sufficient wastepaper to endow a 4-bed ward in the proposed new building for Children's Hospital.

The 4-bed ward, which will cost approximately \$7,000, will be a permanent memorial to the work of the Papertroopers in helping the Government to solve the critical problem of containers during the war.

To meet their goal, it will be necessary for the children in all the elementary and junior high schools to average 15 pounds each during the week. Each school desiring it will have two collections during the week. Additional trucks are being lined up to keep the paper flowing from the schools to the freightyard.

However, as a further aid to them in this drive to aid in providing hospital facilities for children, householders without children are being urged to help by taking their own accumulations of paper to the school nearest them if they have a car and if not to drop theirs at a neighboring school child that paper is awaiting them.

Schedules of collections will be published later to aid in determining when and where to take or send the paper.

The suggestion when first laid before the Congress of Parent and Teacher Associations won immediate approval.

page B-4 of today's Star, a brief summary of the accomplishments of the Paper Troopers since the first collection on December 1, 1941, indicates the probability that the goal will be met.

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16 Ships Due Today In U. S. With 3,685 Service Personnel

By the Associated Press

Two transports with 2,298 service personnel are scheduled to arrive today at New York; two with 1,307 at Seattle; two with 59 at San Francisco, and 10 more with more than 21 at San Diego, Calif.

One ship with 462 wives and children of servicemen is due at New York.

Ships and units arriving:

At New York—Miscellaneous troops on following: Maritime Victory from Bremen, 1,486; Williams Victory from Bremerhaven, 212.

The George Goethals from Le Havre, with 462 wives and children of servicemen.

At Seattle—Miford Victory from Yokohama, 1,070 Army, including nine nurses; U. S. S. Commodore (dock) at Bremerton from Pearl Harbor, 237 Navy and Coast Guard.

At San Diego—Miscellaneous on following: Landing ship dock Port Marion, 21 Navy, Army service dependents, and following with no passenger information: LST 927, YP 641, 621, 630, 645, 633, LCI 78 and fleet tug 179, towing barracks ship 57.

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Man Seeks To End Wife's Silence By Calling Firemen

The refusal of his estranged wife to talk with him about a reconciliation led Joseph Beedle, 63, of the 4200 block of Seventh street N.W., to send the Fire Department out to her home Friday, he told Municipal Court Judge Thomas D. Quinn yesterday.

"I love the woman," Beedle explained to the court. "When she wouldn't talk to me I said I was going to call the Fire Department, and that's what I did."

Judge Quinn sentenced Beedle to a \$50 fine or 60 days in jail for turning in the alarm.

The wife, Mrs. Grace Beedle, lives in the 3200 block of Wisconsin avenue.

Miami Area Reports Its 45th Case of Polio

MIAMI, Fla., May 25.—Dade County's infantile paralysis cases rose to 45 today with the admission of an 11-year-old Miami boy to the polio ward of Jackson Memorial Hospital.

It was the first case reported in more than 36 hours.

The new case, with the addition of a 2-year-old victim brought here from Key West last night, increased the State total to 127 for the year. There had been 25 cases in Florida at the same time last year.

There have been 10 deaths in the State, 6 in Dade County.

Tuberculosis Program Already Started in Veterans' Hospitals

Recommendations released last night as the result of a study two years ago by the National Tuberculosis Association for improving facilities in Veterans Administration tuberculosis hospitals have already been undertaken in "nearly all cases," according to Dr. John B. Barnwell, director of the agency's tuberculosis service.

The recommendations came in the report of a committee of 16 specialists who visited 17 tuberculosis hospitals. Completed last fall, the report was not submitted to Veterans Administrator Bradley until last week.

Recognizing that large numbers of veterans have refused care by the agency hospitals or have left for their homes before receiving maximum benefit of hospitalization, the committee made strong suggestions concerning medical staff reorganization, professional personnel, location of hospitals, veterans pensions and co-operation between the Veterans Administration and other agencies.

Higher Salaries Proposed.

Among suggestions: 1. A study adopted by Dr. Barnwell said, are:

1. Acquisition and training of qualified resident doctors, with higher salaries and assignment and promotions commensurate with their ability.

2. Appointment of specialists to aid in training and act as consultants.

3. Location of hospitals near large medical centers where facilities are immediately available.

4. Elimination of "excessive patient" ratios in hospitals and development of programs to fit local conditions.

5. Organization of rehabilitation programs to provide educational opportunities and train patients for jobs they will be fit for when they return to civilian life.

6. Medical social service in hospitals to aid veterans with personal problems, being organized on the basis of one worker for every 125 patients.

Gradual Changes Started.

The suggestion that all doctors who do not meet a certain training and ability qualifications be discharged is "still a little high to aim at, with the shortage of doctors, particularly specialists of this field," Dr. Barnwell said. He added, however, that some of those who do not "standards" are being "weeded out."

To provide more space for the more than 6,000 tuberculosis patients and in anticipation of thousands of others still in Army and Navy hospitals, the director announced that several new hospitals are proposed for construction, to provide 240 more beds.

Dr. Barnwell said, however, that there was no immediate promise that the agency will be able to absorb the numbers of tuberculosis patients still in armed forces hospitals. With capacity loads now, some veteran patients are in Army and Navy hospital beds under a loan arrangement with the Veterans Administration.

Under a new ruling, the director said, the Veterans Administration is being urged to "isolate" tuberculosis patients in general hospitals of the agency. As their conditions improve, Dr. Barnwell declared, they will be moved to tuberculosis facilities.

Only Few Stopped.

Commenting on the number of veterans found with the disease at separation centers, Dr. Roy A. Wolf